

**County of San Bernardino  
Department of Behavioral Health**

**Alcohol and Drug Services (ADS) Accessibility of Service Requirements Policy**

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**Policy**

The State of California Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) requires that all alcohol and drug treatment facilities licensed or certified by ADP or receiving funding allocated by ADP comply with Federal, State and local regulations and laws regarding accessibility of services and prohibits the discrimination against people with disabilities.

It is the policy of the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Alcohol and Drug Services (ADS) to require all County alcohol and drug treatment programs and contracted alcohol and drug treatment programs comply with all associated ADS laws and regulations, including those pertaining to accessibility.

**Purpose**

DBH-ADS is committed to ensuring that all County alcohol and drug treatment programs and contracted alcohol and drug treatment programs remain in compliance with Federal, State and local regulations and laws that include the following:

- Americans with Disability Act (ADA)
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 45 CFR, Part 84 Non-discrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Activities
- Title 24, CCR, Part 2, Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance
- Unruh Civil Rights Act California Civil Code (CCC) Sections 51 through 51.3 and all applicable laws related to services and access to services for persons with disabilities

**Quarterly Reviews**

DBH-ADS Substance Abuse Program Coordinators will conduct quarterly reviews at all county alcohol and drug treatment programs and contracted alcohol and drug treatment programs to ensure compliance with all State and Federal Regulations and laws. The Alcohol and Drug Services Contract Agency Manual requires all ADS providers adhere to these regulations and laws. All providers are contractually bound to adhere to the manual. DBH-ADS will investigate all claims regarding violation of this policy.

**Related Policy**

DBH, Standard Practice Manual ADS0206 – Medication Support Services - ADS